

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,
v.
CHARLES BURTON RITCHIE,
Defendant.

2:20-CR-164-APG-EJY

The United States District Court for the District of Nevada entered an Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(1) and (b)(2), 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1), and 21 U.S.C. § 853(p) based upon the plea of guilty by Charles Burton Ritchie to the criminal offense, forfeiting the property set forth in the Plea Agreement, and the Forfeiture Allegation of the Criminal Information and shown by the United States to have the requisite nexus to the offense to which Charles Burton Ritchie pled guilty. Criminal Information, ECF No. 1-2; Plea Agreement, ECF No. 18; Change of Plea, ECF No. 27; Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, ECF No. 38.

This Court finds that on the government's motion, the Court may at any time enter an order of forfeiture or amend an existing order of forfeiture to include subsequently located property or substitute property pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(e) and 32.2(b)(2)(C).

This Court finds the United States notified known third parties by personal service and by regular mail and certified mail return receipt requested of their right to petition the Court. Notice of Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62.

On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office served Charles Burton Ritchie and Benjamin Galecki c/o Attorney, Richard Shonfeld, Chesnoff and Schonfeld, by

1 regular and certified return receipt mail with the Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture
2 and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 3, 6-9, 11-
3 13, 16-19.

4 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney’s Office served Stephanie Ritchie
5 by regular and certified return receipt mail with the Amended Preliminary Order of
6 Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 3,
7 6-9, 11-13, 20-23.

8 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney’s Office served Gulf Community
9 Bank c/o Registered Agent, Walter J. Ritchie, Jr., by regular and certified return receipt
10 mail with the Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing
11 Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No., 62-1 p. 3, 6-9, 11-13, 24-26.

12 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney’s Office attempted to serve The
13 Psychadelic Shack c/o Registered Agent, Kenneth Jones, by regular and certified return
14 receipt mail with the Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. The mail
15 was returned as unable to forward. Notice of Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No.
16 62-1 p. 3, 6-9, 11-13, 27-31.

17 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney’s Office served Stephanie Ritchie
18 c/o Attorney, David L. McGee, by regular and certified return receipt mail with the
19 Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of
20 Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p.3, 6-9, 11-13, 32-34.

21 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney’s Office served Stephanie Ritchie
22 c/o Attorney, Wayne Klomp, by regular and certified return receipt mail with the Amended
23 Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of Process –
24 Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 3, 6-9, 11-13, 35-37.

25 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney’s Office served Venport
26 Holdings, LLC, c/o Registered Agent, David L. McGee, by regular and certified return
27 receipt mail with the Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of
28 Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 4, 6-9, 11-13, 38-40.

1 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office attempted to serve
2 Venport Holdings, LLC, c/o Stephanie L. Ritchie, Managing Member, by regular and
3 certified return receipt mail with the Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the
4 Notice. The mail was returned as unable to forward. Notice of Filing Service of Process –
5 Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 4, 6-9, 11-13, 41-45.

6 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office served Nina J.
7 Ginsburg, Dimuro & Ginsberg, by regular and certified return receipt mail with the
8 Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of
9 Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p.4, 6-9, 11-13, 46-48.

10 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office served ZIW, LLC, c/o
11 Attorney, Wayne Klomp, Snell & Wilmer LLP, by regular and certified return receipt mail
12 with the Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service
13 of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 4, 6, 11-13, 49-51.

14 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office served ZIW, LLC, c/o
15 Registered Agent, David L. McGee, by regular and certified return receipt mail with the
16 Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of
17 Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 4, 6-9, 11-13, 52-54.

18 On September 16, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office attempted to serve
19 Ashley Jett (Galecki) by regular and certified return receipt mail with the Amended
20 Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the Notice. On September 20, 2020, the mail was
21 awaiting delivery scan and the delivery status has not been updated as of that date. Notice of
22 Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p. 4, 6-9, 11-13, 55-59.

23 On November 20, 2020, the United States Attorney's Office served Ashley Jett
24 (Galecki) by regular and certified return receipt mail with the Amended Preliminary Order
25 of Forfeiture and the Notice. Notice of Filing Service of Process – Mailing, ECF No. 62-1 p.
26 4, 6-9, 11-13, 61-65.

27 This Court finds the United States published the notice of forfeiture in accordance
28 with the law via the official government internet forfeiture site, www.forfeiture.gov,

1 consecutively from October 4, 2020, through November 2, 2020, notifying all potential third
2 parties of their right to petition the Court. Notice of Filing Proof of Publication, ECF No.
3 63-1, p. 5-7.

4 This Court finds no petition was filed herein by or on behalf of any person or entity
5 and the time for filing such petitions and claims has expired.

6 This Court finds no petitions are pending with regard to the property named herein
7 and the time for presenting such petitions has expired.

8 THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that
9 all possessory rights, ownership rights, and all rights, titles, and interests in the property
10 hereinafter described are condemned, forfeited, and vested in the United States pursuant to
11 Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(4)(A) and (b)(4)(B); Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(2); 18 U.S.C. §
12 982(a)(1) and 21 U.S.C. § 853(p); and 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(7) and shall be disposed of
13 according to law.

14 The following property is any property, real or personal, involved in violations of 18
15 U.S.C. § 1957, or any property traceable to such property, and is subject to forfeiture
16 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1) and 21 U.S.C. § 853(p): \$765,000 (property).

17 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that any and all
18 forfeited funds, including but not limited to, currency, currency equivalents, certificates of
19 deposit, as well as any income derived as a result of the government's management of any
20 property forfeited herein, and the proceeds from the sale of any forfeited property shall be
21 disposed of according to law.

22 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Clerk send
23 copies of this Order to all counsel of record.

24 DATED March 31, 2021.

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27 ANDREW P. GORDON
28 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE